

CHAPTER 23

ASSAULT OR DOMESTIC ABUSE ASSAULT ON PREGNANT PERSONS — DOMESTIC ABUSE ASSAULT SECOND OFFENSE

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AN ACT relating to assault including assault on a pregnant person and domestic abuse assault, and providing penalties.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. [Section 708.2](#), Code 2023, is amended by adding the following new subsection:
NEW SUBSECTION. 3A. A person who commits a violation of [subsection 3](#) against another person who the person knows or reasonably should know is a pregnant person is guilty of a class “D” felony.

Sec. 2. [Section 708.2A, subsection 2](#), Code 2023, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *e.* A class “D” felony, if the domestic abuse assault is committed against a person who is known to be, or reasonably should be known to be, pregnant, and that is a violation of paragraph “c” or “d”.

Sec. 3. [Section 708.2A, subsection 3](#), Code 2023, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *c.* A class “D” felony if the first offense was classified as a class “D” felony, and the second offense would otherwise be classified as an aggravated misdemeanor.

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